

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) A system for managing project investment, characterized by comprising:

a project holder that has a particular project;

an investor that invests in the particular project; and

a trustee that is entrusted with components of the particular project by the project holder and performs investment recovery management using a computer based on a dividend management program agreed upon in advance between the project holder and the investor.

2. (Original) A system according to claim 1, wherein

the trustee investigates the components of the project entrusted by the project holder and notifies the investor of a result of the investigation, and

the investor determines investment in the particular project based on the result of the investigation notified by the trustee.

3. (Original) A system according to claim 1, further comprising an audit agency that audits progress of the project by the project holder.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim 3, ~~wherein~~wherein:

when a payment request is sent from the project holder, the audit agency judges whether

it is necessary to correct the payment request,

when it is judged that it is necessary to correct the payment request, the trustee instructs the project holder to correct the payment request, and, when it is judged that it is unnecessary to correct the payment request, the trustee executes payment to the project hold,

when payment is made to the trustee from the project holder, the audit agency judges whether a paid amount is appropriate in light of a state of progress of the project, and

when it is judged by the audit agency that the paid amount is not appropriate, the trustee performs investment recovery management in accordance with a predetermined first dividend management correction program,

the audit agency judges whether it is possible to attain a target dividend amount in light of a state of progress of the project, and

when it is judged by the audit agency that it is impossible to attain the target dividend amount, the trustee extends a contract term of the investor and performs investment recovery management in accordance with a predetermined second dividend management correction program.

6. (Cancelled)